

NOTICE TO ALL TIMBER PURCHASERS

**Compartment 77 Horseshoe
Winn R.D.**

S.B.A. SET-ASIDE

Bids will be received at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 2500 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, LA on February 25, 2016 at 9:00 AM.

LOCATION: This sale is located approximately eight (8) miles west of Atlanta, LA in T9N, R5W, Sections 3 & 4 and T10N, R5W, Sections 33 & 34 of Winn Parish.

INCLUDED TIMBER: The sale area consists of about 657 acres, of which an estimated 318 acres are designated for cutting. The sale contains six (6) Payment Units, five (5) of which are marked thinning units (Payment Units 2 - 6), and one (1) of which are designation by spacing thinning, which allows the purchaser to cut and remove smaller diameter trees within 12 feet of a live pine tree that has a larger stump diameter than it and the larger tree is not designated for cutting; and all trees within skid corridors which are no more than 14 feet wide and no closer than 70 feet apart measured center to center. There are RCW trees within PU-6, where the logging season will be restricted within 200' of the cavity trees during the nesting season which is March 1-July 31. The boundaries of the Payment Units are marked with orange paint.

SBA SET-ASIDE: This is a Small Business Set-Aside sale, and award will be made to a self-certifying, qualified small business. Large business concerns may not bid on this sale at this time. Purchaser agrees that it will not sell or exchange more than 30 percent of the advertised sawtimber quantities to a concern that does not qualify as small business. In the event there are no qualified bidders on this SBA sale, the sale will be readvertised under normal procedures, and large business concerns may bid at that time.

LENGTH OF CONTRACT: The Contract termination date will be **December 31, 2018.**

FORM AD-3030-FS: Corporations submitting an offer under this solicitation must include form AD-3030-FS Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants. The form is located behind Page 7 of the Bid for Advertised Timber.

EROSION CONTROL: The Purchaser will be responsible for seeding and fertilizing approximately 4.5 acres to Forest Service specifications. The Purchaser may elect to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Forest Service to have the Erosion Control work performed in exchange for a cooperative deposit in the amount of **\$1,685.84.**

PREHAUL ROAD MAINTENANCE: The Purchaser will be required to perform Pre-Haul Road Maintenance on 4.23 miles of Forest Service roads 509-A, 623, W077E, W077F & W077G prior to hauling. The work includes placing 1025 tons of crushed aggregate, 700 tons of Winn Rock, and 814 cubic yards of pit run on these roads. A cost allowance of **\$115,418.27** is estimated for this work and should be considered a logging cost for prospective bidders. See sample contract for specific information.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: The purchaser will be responsible for making a required deposit (16 U.S.C. 537) in the amount of **\$0.86** per CCF (approximately **\$5,140.54**) for using Forest Service roads to haul timber. Additionally, a cost allowance for Purchaser required road maintenance on secondary roads of approximately \$1,503.62 has been made in the appraised value of the timber.

SLASH DISPOSAL: In Payment Units 1 through 6, Slash Disposal will be required in areas where slash accumulation is higher than 2 feet. All slash within 15' of RCW cavity trees shall be removed.

All interested bidders should investigate the sale area and the sample contract prior to submission of bids, and become familiar with the provisions mentioned above and others which apply to this timber sale contract. Please contact the District Office at (318) 628-4664 if you have any questions about this sale.